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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MODIFYING SURFACE  
OF INTERLAYER INSULATING FILM

**EXAMINER'S STATUS INQUIRY**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant asks to be informed of the status of this patent application. Applicant filed the application on October 21, 2005, and has not received any paper from the PTO in connection with this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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